

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 6-15, and 17-20 are now pending in the application. The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the amendments and remarks contained herein.

ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Restriction to one of the following species is required under 35 U.S.C. § 121:

Species 1 (Figures 1-3);

Species 2 (Figures 4-8); or

Species 3 (Figures 9-11).

Accordingly, Applicants request examination of Species 1, Figures 1-3 (claims 1, 2, 6-15, and 17-20). This election is made without traverse.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Applicants have withdrawn claims 3-5 and 16.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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